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PROCEEDINGS

TWENTY-FOURTH DAY — WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2001

The house met at 10 a.m. and was called to order by the speaker.

The roll of the house was called and a quorum was announced present (Record 24).

Present — Mr. Speaker; Alexander; Allen; Bailey; Berman; Bonnen; Bosse; Brimer; Brown, B.; Brown, F.; Burnam; Callegari; Capelo; Carter; Chavez; Chisum; Christian; Clark; Coleman; Cook; Corte; Counts; Crabb; Craddick; Crownover; Danburg; Davis, J.; Davis, Y.; Delisi; Denny; Deshotel; Driver; Dukes; Dunnam; Dutton; Edwards; Ehrhardt; Eiland; Elkins; Ellis; Farabee; Farrar; Flores; Gallego; Garcia; George; Geren; Giddings; Goodman; Goolsby; Gray; Green; Grusendorf; Gutierrez; Haggerty; Hamric; Hardcastle; Hawley; Heflin; Hilbert; Hilderbran; Hill; Hinojosa; Hochberg; Hodge; Homer; Hope; Hopson; Howard; Hunter; Hupp; Isett; Janek; Jones, D.; Jones, E.; Jones, J.; Junell; Keel; Keffer; King, P.; King, T.; Kitchen; Kolkhorst; Krusee; Kuempel; Lewis, G.; Lewis, R.; Longoria; Luna; Madden; Marchant; Martinez Fischer; Maxey; McCall; McClendon; McReynolds; Menendez; Merritt; Miller; Moreno, J.; Moreno, P.; Morrison; Mowery; Naishtat; Najera; Nixon; Noriega; Oliveira; Olivo; Pickett; Pitts; Puente; Ramsay; Rangel; Raymond; Reyna, A.; Reyna, E.; Ritter; Salinas; Seaman; Shields; Smith; Smithee; Solis; Solomons; Swinford; Talton; Telford; Thompson; Tillery; Truitt; Turner, B.; Turner, S.; Uher; Uresti; Villarreal; Walker; West; Williams; Wilson; Wise; Wohlgemuth; Wolens; Woolley; Yarbrough; Zbranek.

Absent, Excused — Averitt; Glaze; Sadler.

Absent — Hartnett.

The invocation was offered by Dr. Shawn Brewer, pastor, First Baptist Church of Eastland, Eastland.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE GRANTED

The following member was granted leave of absence for today and the remainder of the week because of a death in the family:

Averitt on motion of D. Jones.

The following member was granted leave of absence for today because of illness:

Glaze on motion of Keel.

CAPITOL PHYSICIAN

The speaker recognized Representatives P. King and Kolkhorst who presented Doctors Jack L. Eidson of Weatherford, and Felicia Macik and Adel Massoud of Bryan as the "Doctors for the Day."

The house welcomed Doctors Eidson, Macik, and Massoud and thanked them for their participation in the Physician of the Day Program sponsored by the Texas Academy of Family Physicians.

(Goolsby in the chair)

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

A message from the senate was received at this time (see the addendum to the daily journal, Messages from the Senate, Message No. 1).

(Speaker in the chair)

HR 176 - ADOPTED (by Uher and Howard)

Representative Uher moved to suspend all necessary rules to take up and consider at this time **HR 176**.

The motion prevailed without objection.

The following resolution was laid before the house:

HR 176, In memory of the Honorable Burt O'Connell of Van Vleck.

HR 176 was read and was unanimously adopted by a rising vote.

On motion of Representative Howard, the names of all the members of the house were added to **HR 176** as signers thereof.

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

The speaker recognized Representative Uher, who introduced the family and friends of Burt O'Connell.

HR 209 - ADOPTED (by Denny)

Representative Denny moved to suspend all necessary rules to take up and consider at this time **HR 209**.

The motion prevailed without objection.

The following resolution was laid before the house:

HR 209, Recognizing February 21, 2001, as Rockwall County Day.

HR 209 was read and was adopted without objection.

HR 312 - ADOPTED (by Maxey, Kitchen, Dukes, Keel, and Naishtat)

Representative Maxey moved to suspend all necessary rules to take up and consider at this time **HR 312**.

The motion prevailed without objection.

The following resolution was laid before the house:

HR 312, In memory of Deputy Keith George Ruiz of the Travis County Sheriff's Office.

HR 312 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote.

On motion of the Travis County delegation, the names of all the members of the house were added to **HR 312** as signers thereof.

HR 305 - ADOPTED
(by Howard, et al.)

Representative Howard moved to suspend all necessary rules to take up and consider at this time **HR 305**.

The motion prevailed without objection.

The following resolution was laid before the house:

HR 305, Recognizing February 21, 2001, as Fort Bend County Day at the State Capitol.

(Speaker pro tempore in the chair)

HR 305 was read and was adopted without objection.

On motion of Representative Olivo, the names of all the members of the house were added to **HR 305** as signers thereof.

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

The chair recognized Representative Howard, who introduced a delegation from Fort Bend County.

HR 259 - ADOPTED
(by Seaman)

Representative Seaman moved to suspend all necessary rules to take up and consider at this time **HR 259**.

The motion prevailed without objection.

The following resolution was laid before the house:

HR 259, In memory of Judge John Douglas Wendell.

HR 259 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote.

HR 143 - ADOPTED
(by Seaman)

Representative Seaman moved to suspend all necessary rules to take up and consider at this time **HR 143**.

The motion prevailed without objection.

The following resolution was laid before the house:

HR 143, In memory of Gary Swenchonis, Jr.

HR 143 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote.

HR 142 - ADOPTED
(by Seaman)

Representative Seaman moved to suspend all necessary rules to take up and consider at this time **HR 142**.

The motion prevailed without objection.

The following resolution was laid before the house:

HR 142, Recognizing February 21, 2001, as Aransas County Day at the State Capitol.

HR 142 was read and was adopted without objection.

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

The chair recognized Representative Seaman, who introduced a delegation from Aransas County.

HR 302 - ADOPTED (by Salinas)

Representative Salinas moved to suspend all necessary rules to take up and consider at this time **HR 302**.

The motion prevailed without objection.

The following resolution was laid before the house:

HR 302, Recognizing February 21, 2001, as La Salle County Day at the State Capitol.

HR 302 was read and was adopted without objection.

On motion of Representative Raymond, the names of all the members of the house were added to **HR 302** as signers thereof.

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

The chair recognized Representative Salinas, who introduced a delegation from La Salle County.

(Edwards in the chair)

HCR 126 - ADOPTED (by Allen)

Representative Allen moved to suspend all necessary rules to take up and consider at this time **HCR 126**.

The motion prevailed without objection.

(Speaker pro tempore in the chair)

The following resolution was laid before the house:

HCR 126, In honor of Vernon and Ruthe Jackson's outstanding community service.

HCR 126 was read and was adopted without objection.

INTRODUCTION OF GUEST

The chair recognized Representative Allen, who introduced Ruthe Jackson.

HR 327 - ADOPTED

(by Allen)

Representative Allen moved to suspend all necessary rules to take up and consider at this time **HR 327**.

The motion prevailed without objection.

The following resolution was laid before the house:

HR 327, Recognizing February 21, 2001, as Grand Prairie Day at the State Capitol.

HR 327 was adopted without objection.

HR 238 - ADOPTED

(by Green)

Representative Green moved to suspend all necessary rules to take up and consider at this time **HR 238**.

The motion prevailed without objection.

The following resolution was laid before the house:

HR 238, Recognizing February 21, 2001, as Caldwell County Day at the State Capitol.

HR 238 was adopted without objection.

HR 328 - ADOPTED

(by Morrison)

Representative Morrison moved to suspend all necessary rules to take up and consider at this time **HR 328**.

The motion prevailed without objection.

The following resolution was laid before the house:

HR 328, In memory of Sergeant David Michael Furrh of the Gonzales County Sheriff's Department.

HR 328 was read and was unanimously adopted by a rising vote.

On motion of Representative Green, the names of all the members of the house were added to **HR 328** as signers thereof.

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

The chair recognized Representative Morrison, who introduced the family, friends, and colleagues of Sergeant David Michael Furrh.

HR 66 - ADOPTED

(by Pitts)

Representative Pitts moved to suspend all necessary rules to take up and consider at this time **HR 66**.

The motion prevailed without objection.

The following resolution was laid before the house:

HR 66, Congratulating Sharon B. Fitzpatrick on her retirement from the Texas Department of Transportation.

HR 66 was read and was adopted without objection.

HR 267 - ADOPTED
(by Hardcastle)

Representative Hardcastle moved to suspend all necessary rules to take up and consider at this time **HR 267**.

The motion prevailed without objection.

The following resolution was laid before the house:

HR 267, Recognizing February 21, 2001, as Graham Day at the State Capitol.

HR 267 was read and was adopted without objection.

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

The chair recognized Representative Hardcastle, who introduced a delegation from Graham.

HR 241 - ADOPTED
(by McCall)

Representative McCall moved to suspend all necessary rules to take up and consider at this time **HR 241**.

The motion prevailed without objection.

The following resolution was laid before the house:

HR 241, In honor of George D. Stewart's outstanding service as chairman and member of the board of trustees of the Collin County Mental Health and Mental Retardation Center.

HR 241 was read and was adopted without objection.

HR 288 - ADOPTED
(by McCall, Madden, and Denny)

Representative Madden moved to suspend all necessary rules to take up and consider at this time **HR 288**.

The motion prevailed without objection.

The following resolution was laid before the house:

HR 288, Recognizing February 21, 2001, as Collin County Day at the State Capitol.

HR 288 was read and was adopted without objection.

HR 266 - ADOPTED
(by Dukes, McClendon, Giddings, Thompson, and Y. Davis)

Representative Dukes moved to suspend all necessary rules to take up and consider at this time **HR 266**.

The motion prevailed without objection.

The following resolution was laid before the house:

HR 266, Honoring Jean Allen-Yates of Austin for being named Top Lady of the Year 2001 by the Capital City Chapter of the Top Ladies of Distinction, Inc.

HR 266 was adopted without objection.

HR 313 - ADOPTED
(by Hawley)

Representative Hawley moved to suspend all necessary rules to take up and consider at this time **HR 313**.

The motion prevailed without objection.

The following resolution was laid before the house:

HR 313, Recognizing February 21, 2001, as Interstate Route 69 Day in Texas.

HR 313 was read and was adopted without objection.

HR 319 - ADOPTED
(by Miller)

Representative Miller moved to suspend all necessary rules to take up and consider at this time **HR 319**.

The motion prevailed without objection.

The following resolution was laid before the house:

HR 319, Recognizing February 21, 2001, as Comanche County Day at the State Capitol.

HR 319 was read and was adopted without objection.

HR 297 - ADOPTED
(by Brimer, et al.)

Representative Brimer moved to suspend all necessary rules to take up and consider at this time **HR 297**.

The motion prevailed without objection.

The following resolution was laid before the house:

HR 297, Recognizing February 21, 2001, as Mansfield Day at the State Capitol.

HR 297 was read and was adopted without objection.

On motion of Representative Pitts, the names of all the members of the house were added to **HR 297** as signers thereof.

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

The chair recognized Representative Brimer, who introduced a delegation from Mansfield.

HR 179 - ADOPTED**(by Carter)**

Representative Carter moved to suspend all necessary rules to take up and consider at this time **HR 179**.

The motion prevailed without objection.

The following resolution was laid before the house:

HR 179, In memory of Colonel R. C. Rosacker of Fort Worth.

HR 179 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote.

On motion of Representative Chisum, the names of all the members of the house were added to **HR 179** as signers thereof.

HR 83 - ADOPTED**(by Carter, et al.)**

Representative Carter moved to suspend all necessary rules to take up and consider at this time **HR 83**.

The motion prevailed without objection.

The following resolution was laid before the house:

HR 83, Congratulating Bob Terrell of Fort Worth on his retirement as city manager.

HR 83 was adopted without objection.

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

The chair recognized Representative Goolsby, who introduced Alan Hantman, architect of the Washington, D.C., Capitol; Scott Birkhead, director of engineering; Bruce Arthur, director of architecture; Amita Pool, capitol superintendent; Carlos Elias, deputy capitol superintendent.

HR 256 - ADOPTED**(by Counts, Junell, Hunter, B. Turner, and Keffer)**

Representative Counts moved to suspend all necessary rules to take up and consider at this time **HR 256**.

The motion prevailed without objection.

The following resolution was laid before the house:

HR 256, Recognizing February 21, 2001, as Texas Midwest Day in Austin and honoring the Texas Midwest Community Network.

HR 256 was read and was adopted without objection.

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

The chair recognized Representatives Counts and Hunter, who introduced a delegation from the Texas Midwest Community Network and the Texas Forts Trail Association.

HR 27 - ADOPTED
(by Gallego)

Representative Gallego moved to suspend all necessary rules to take up and consider at this time **HR 27**.

The motion prevailed without objection.

The following resolution was laid before the house:

HR 27, In memory of Olivia Cordero.

HR 27 was read and was unanimously adopted by a rising vote.

HR 322 - ADOPTED
(by Capelo)

Representative Capelo moved to suspend all necessary rules to take up and consider at this time **HR 322**.

The motion prevailed without objection.

The following resolution was laid before the house:

HR 322, Honoring Yolanda Olivarez for her election as chairwoman of the Port of Corpus Christi Authority.

HR 322 was read and was adopted without objection.

INTRODUCTION OF GUEST

The chair recognized Representative Capelo, who introduced Yolanda Olivarez, chairwoman of the Port of Corpus Christi Authority.

HR 332 - ADOPTED
(by Thompson)

Representative Thompson moved to suspend all necessary rules to take up and consider at this time **HR 332**.

The motion prevailed without objection.

The following resolution was laid before the house:

HR 332, Commending Representative Harold V. Dutton for his great contributions to the State of Texas and offering joyous felicitations on the occasion of his birthday.

HR 332 was adopted without objection.

HR 301 - ADOPTED
(by Flores)

Representative Flores moved to suspend all necessary rules to take up and consider at this time **HR 301**.

The motion prevailed without objection.

The following resolution was laid before the house:

HR 301, Honoring the school board members from ISDs in Texas House District 36.

HR 301 was adopted without objection.

HR 311 - ADOPTED**(by Tillery)**

Representative Tillery moved to suspend all necessary rules to take up and consider at this time **HR 311**.

The motion prevailed without objection.

The following resolution was laid before the house:

HR 311, Honoring Rosa Walker for her many contributions to the State of Texas.

HR 311 was read and was adopted without objection.

On motion of Representative A. Reyna, the names of all the members of the house were added to **HR 311** as signers thereof.

HR 326 - ADOPTED**(by A. Reyna)**

Representative A. Reyna moved to suspend all necessary rules to take up and consider at this time **HR 326**.

The motion prevailed without objection.

The following resolution was laid before the house:

HR 326, Welcoming Edgewood Independent School District to the State Capitol on February 21, 2001.

HR 326 was read and was adopted without objection.

HR 162 - ADOPTED**(by Farabee)**

Representative Farabee moved to suspend all necessary rules to take up and consider at this time **HR 162**.

The motion prevailed without objection.

The following resolution was laid before the house:

HR 162, In honor of the 2000 Wichita Falls High School football team's outstanding season.

HR 162 was adopted without objection.

HR 163 - ADOPTED**(by Farabee)**

Representative Farabee moved to suspend all necessary rules to take up and consider at this time **HR 163**.

The motion prevailed without objection.

The following resolution was laid before the house:

HR 163, In honor of the United Regional Health Care System's continued efforts to enroll eligible families in CHIP.

HR 163 was adopted without objection.

HR 164 - ADOPTED
(by Farabee)

Representative Farabee moved to suspend all necessary rules to take up and consider at this time **HR 164**.

The motion prevailed without objection.

The following resolution was laid before the house:

HR 164, In honor of the Wichita Falls Independent School District's ongoing efforts to enroll qualified children in the Children's Health Insurance Program.

HR 164 was adopted without objection.

HCR 96 - ADOPTED
(by Farabee)

Representative Farabee moved to suspend all necessary rules to take up and consider at this time **HCR 96**.

The motion prevailed without objection.

The following resolution was laid before the house:

HCR 96, Honoring Dr. Louis J. Rodriguez of Wichita Falls on the occasion of his retirement as president of Midwestern State University.

HCR 96 was adopted without objection.

BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS ON FIRST READING
AND REFERRAL TO COMMITTEES
RESOLUTIONS REFERRED TO COMMITTEES

Bills and joint resolutions were at this time laid before the house, read first time, and referred to committees. Resolutions were at this time laid before the house and referred to committees. (See the addendum to the daily journal, Referred to Committees, List No. 1.)

RULES SUSPENDED

Representative Heflin moved to suspend the 5-day posting rule to allow the Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on General Government, to meet at 2 p.m. instead of 4 p.m., to consider agency mark-up for pending issues.

The motion prevailed without objection.

COMMITTEE MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT

The following committee meeting was announced:

County Affairs will reconvene upon adjournment today, E1.026, for a public hearing, to consider pending legislation.

ADJOURNMENT

Representative Thompson moved that the house adjourn until 10 a.m. tomorrow.

The motion prevailed without objection.

The house accordingly, at 12:12 p.m., adjourned until 10 a.m. tomorrow.

ADDENDUM

REFERRED TO COMMITTEES

The following bills and joint resolutions were today laid before the house, read first time, and referred to committees, and the following resolutions were today laid before the house and referred to committees. If indicated, the chair today corrected the referral of the following measures:

List No. 1

HB 1836 (By Denny), Relating to the directors of the Upper Trinity Regional Water District and the powers and duties of the district; providing a criminal penalty.

To Natural Resources.

HB 1837 (By Denny), Relating to restrictions on the application of noise regulations to sport shooting ranges.

To County Affairs.

HB 1838 (By Denny), Relating to the distance between certain pits that are part of quarrying operations and adjacent property.

To Land & Resource Management.

HB 1839 (By Junell, Coleman, Thompson, D. Jones, Crownover, et al.), Relating to the creation of the Texas excellence fund to promote research and excellence at certain institutions of higher education.

To Appropriations.

HB 1840 (By Junell), Relating to authorizing the comptroller to waive penalties and interest relating to the delivery of certain delinquent unclaimed property.

To Business & Industry.

HB 1841 (By Junell), Relating to authorizing the comptroller to establish a program to permit certain certified public accountants to perform certain audits.

To Ways & Means.

HB 1842 (By Callegari), Relating to the creation, administration, powers, duties, operation, and financing of the West Harris County Regional Water Authority; granting the power of eminent domain; granting the authority to issue bonds or notes; providing a civil penalty.

To Natural Resources.

HB 1843 (By E. Jones), Relating to the administration of assessment instruments in public schools.

To Public Education.

HB 1844 (By Kolkhorst), Relating to the creation, administration, powers, duties, operation, and financing of the Bluebonnet Groundwater Conservation District.

To Natural Resources.

HB 1845 (By Oliveira), Relating to simplified sales and use tax administration.

To Ways & Means.

HB 1846 (By McReynolds), Relating to the minimum salary schedule for certain professional public school employees.

To Public Education.

HB 1847 (By Keffer), Relating to tax refunds to property owners following ad valorem tax appeals.

To Ways & Means.

HB 1848 (By Keel), Relating to a criminal offense for contracts with bail bond sureties to secure the appearance of certain persons.

To Criminal Jurisprudence.

HB 1849 (By P. King), Relating to the creation of a separate firefighter or police officer municipal retirement system in certain municipalities.

To Pensions & Investments.

HB 1850 (By R. Lewis), Relating to audits regarding oil and gas produced from certain state land.

To Energy Resources.

HB 1851 (By J. Jones), Relating to the examination requirement for licensing as a chemical dependency counselor.

To Public Health.

HB 1852 (By J. Jones), Relating to voting by presidential electors; providing a criminal penalty.

To Elections.

HB 1853 (By Maxey), Relating to coverage for certain dependent children under the Texas Employees Uniform Group Insurance Benefits Act.

To Pensions & Investments.

HB 1854 (By Dunnam), Relating to the penalty for operation of a motor vehicle by a person who does not hold a driver's license.

To Criminal Jurisprudence.

HB 1855 (By Ellis), Relating to enforcement of traffic laws on private roads in certain subdivisions.

To Transportation.

HB 1856 (By Danburg), Relating to the use of punch-card election ballots.

To Elections.

HB 1857 (By Kitchen, Hilderbran, Green, S. Turner, and Cook), Relating to restrictions on the authority of a person to transport petroleum products in a pipeline system.

To Energy Resources.

HB 1858 (By Kitchen, Hilderbran, Green, S. Turner, and Cook), Relating to a limitation on the authority of certain limited partnerships to engage as common carriers in the pipeline business.

To Energy Resources.

HB 1859 (By J. Davis), Relating to extension of restrictions imposing regular assessments in certain residential real estate subdivisions.

To Business & Industry.

HB 1860 (By S. Turner), Relating to the applicability of the death penalty to a capital offense committed by a person younger than 18 years of age at the time of the commission of the offense.

To Criminal Jurisprudence.

HB 1861 (By Danburg), Relating to the exception to disclosure under the public information law of certain audit working papers.

To State Affairs.

HB 1862 (By Eiland), Relating to the regulation and prompt payment of health care providers under certain health benefit plans.

To Insurance.

HB 1863 (By Kuempel), Relating to the registration fee for dogs required by certain counties.

To County Affairs.

HB 1864 (By Kuempel), Relating to the powers and duties of the board of managers of certain joint municipal and county hospitals.

To County Affairs.

HB 1865 (By Averitt), Relating to participation requirements for small employer health benefit plans and certain definitions relating to health benefit plans.

To Insurance.

HB 1866 (By Averitt), Relating to certain definitions related to health benefits purchasing cooperatives and their classes of membership.

To Insurance.

HB 1867 (By Averitt), Relating to the fair marketing of health benefit plans.

To Insurance.

HB 1868 (By Talton), Relating to authorizing the attorney general to administer oaths.

To Judicial Affairs.

HB 1869 (By Wohlgemuth), Relating to the acquisition of manufactured homes through financing or other means and to persons associated with those acquisitions.

To Financial Institutions.

HB 1870 (By Salinas), Relating to the determination of a relationship by affinity under the nepotism prohibitions applicable to public officials.

To State Affairs.

HB 1871 (By J. Solis and Uresti), Relating to special license plates for a justice of the peace.

To Transportation.

HB 1872 (By J. Solis), Relating to local employment impact statements required before a state agency may adopt a rule.
To State Affairs.

HB 1873 (By J. Solis, Uresti, and Capelo), Relating to grants by the Texas Workforce Commission to assist economically disadvantaged persons enrolled in qualified postsecondary career education programs.
To Economic Development.

HB 1874 (By Cook), Relating to the filing of an affidavit supporting a criminal charge based on the use of a check or similar sight order.
To Criminal Jurisprudence.

HB 1875 (By E. Reyna), Relating to the prosecution and punishment of an individual who commits family violence within the view of a child.
To Criminal Jurisprudence.

HB 1876 (By Gray), Relating to the authority of an attorney appointed by a court as a master in chancery for a delinquent ad valorem tax suit to practice law in that court.
To Judicial Affairs.

HB 1877 (By Gray), Relating to the regulation of contact lens dispensing.
To Public Health.

HB 1878 (By Gray), Relating to the creation of a task force to review the methods and procedures used to evaluate a criminal defendant's competency to stand trial and use of the insanity defense.
To Criminal Jurisprudence.

HB 1879 (By Chavez), Relating to the exemption from ad valorem taxation for disabled veterans and the surviving spouses and children of disabled veterans and members of the armed forces who die on active duty.
To Ways & Means.

HB 1880 (By Swinford), Relating to the creation, operation, and administration of agricultural development districts and granting the power of eminent domain and the authority to issue bonds.
To Agriculture & Livestock.

HB 1881 (By Hilderbran), Relating to the juvenile board of Kendall County.
To Juvenile Justice & Family Issues.

HB 1882 (By Hilderbran), Relating to service credit in the Teacher Retirement System of Texas for accumulated personal or sick leave.
To Pensions & Investments.

HB 1883 (By Thompson), Relating to limitations on certain powers exercised by an attorney in fact or agent with respect to an elderly principal under a durable power of attorney.
To Judicial Affairs.

HB 1884 (By Thompson), Relating to filing fees for certain types of actions.
To Judicial Affairs.

HB 1885 (By Thompson), Relating to deferred disposition procedures applicable to certain traffic offenses.

To Criminal Jurisprudence.

HB 1886 (By Coleman), Relating to municipal hotel occupancy taxes.

To Ways & Means.

HB 1887 (By Janek), Relating to the rights of patients receiving mental health services.

To Public Health.

HB 1888 (By Tillery), Relating to the administration of retirement systems for paid, partly paid, or volunteer fire fighters.

To Pensions & Investments.

HB 1889 (By J. Jones), Relating to the offense of failure to identify and to including information on a person who gives a false name to a peace officer in the computerized criminal history system.

To Criminal Jurisprudence.

HB 1890 (By G. Lewis), Relating to control of contracts and funds of a commissary for the county jail.

To County Affairs.

HB 1891 (By G. Lewis), Relating to insurers providing a written explanation of certain endorsements to insurance policies.

To Insurance.

HB 1892 (By G. Lewis), Relating to the threshold contract amount at which certain political subdivisions are required to engage in a competitive purchasing procedure and the criteria required to evaluate bidders in the competitive purchasing process.

To County Affairs.

HB 1893 (By Bosse), Relating to removal of certain state officers convicted of a felony offense.

To State Affairs.

HB 1894 (By Bosse), Relating to the continuation and functions of the State Aircraft Pooling Board.

To State Affairs.

HB 1895 (By Brimer), Relating to the prohibition of certain waivers by employers and employees under the workers' compensation system.

To Business & Industry.

HB 1896 (By S. Turner), Relating to clarification of the criminal penalties for environmental offenses.

To Environmental Regulation.

HB 1897 (By S. Turner), Relating to the criminal penalty for violations relating to handling used oil.

To Environmental Regulation.

HB 1898 (By S. Turner), Relating to the effect of payment of an administrative penalty assessed by the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission on the imposition of a criminal penalty for the same violation.
To Environmental Regulation.

HB 1899 (By S. Turner), Relating to solid waste disposal.
To Environmental Regulation.

HB 1900 (By S. Turner), Relating to waste tire enforcement and cleanup; requiring a fee.
To Environmental Regulation.

HB 1901 (By S. Turner), Relating to juveniles with mental health and substance abuse disorders.
To Corrections.

HB 1902 (By S. Turner), Relating to the re-creation of the system benefit fund as a dedicated account and to the use of the account.
To Appropriations.

HB 1903 (By S. Turner), Relating to verification of coverage by a preferred provider benefit plan or a health maintenance organization.
To Insurance.

HB 1904 (By Uresti), Relating to the period covered by a legislative continuance in a civil or criminal suit.
To State Affairs.

HB 1905 (By Hinojosa), Relating to a cause of action that a health care liability claim is brought in bad faith.
To Civil Practices.

HB 1906 (By Truitt), Relating to the creation of municipal courts of record in Westlake located in Tarrant and Denton counties.
To Judicial Affairs.

HB 1907 (By Denny), Relating to the creation of municipal courts of record in Trophy Club located in Tarrant and Denton counties.
To Judicial Affairs.

HB 1908 (By Isett), Relating to disabled parking placards issued to certain pregnant women.
To Transportation.

HCR 138 (By Wohlgemuth), Urging congress to provide Medicaid funds to Texas in the form of a block grant.
To Public Health.

HCR 139 (By Wohlgemuth), Memorializing congress to provide tax credits to individuals for the purchase of private health insurance.
To Ways & Means.

HCR 141 (By G. Lewis), Honoring Gloria Zuniga of Brownwood, an intern in State Representative Glenn Lewis's district office, for her outstanding service.
To Rules & Resolutions.

HCR 142 (By G. Lewis), Honoring the Metro Christian Academy in Arlington.

To Rules & Resolutions.

HCR 143 (By Berman), Designating March 5-6, 2001, as Tyler Days at the State Capitol.

To Rules & Resolutions.

HCR 144 (By Eiland), Honoring State Representative Kyle Janek and his wife, Shannon Janek, on the birth of their son, William Walker Janek.

To Rules & Resolutions.

HJR 7 (By B. Brown), Proposing a constitutional amendment to authorize a county or a city or town to establish an ad valorem tax freeze on residence homesteads of the elderly and their spouses.

To Ways & Means.

HJR 8 (By Puente), Proposing a constitutional amendment relating to the election and terms of office of the judges of County Courts at Law Nos. 10, 11, and 12 of Bexar County, Texas.

To Judicial Affairs.

HJR 9 (By Averitt), Proposing a constitutional amendment to remove the prohibition against perpetual trusts.

To Financial Institutions.

HJR 10 (By Counts), Proposing a constitutional amendment to abolish the office of constable in Howard County.

To County Affairs.

HJR 63 (By Counts), Proposing a constitutional amendment to abolish the office of constable in Nolan County.

To County Affairs.

HJR 64 (By Junell), Proposing a constitutional amendment relating to the allocation of the constitutional appropriation to certain institutions of higher education not entitled to participate in funding from the available university fund.

To Appropriations.

HR 309 (By Danburg), Honoring Karen E. Jackson of Houston for her contributions to the fight against breast cancer.

To Rules & Resolutions.

HR 310 (By G. Lewis), Honoring the retirement of Rainey J. Crawford of Kansas City, Missouri.

To Rules & Resolutions.

HR 314 (By Hilderbran), Honoring T. D. Hall for his many years of service as a constable for Kerr County.

To Rules & Resolutions.

HR 316 (By Green), In honor of the 40th anniversary of the Peace Corps.

To Rules & Resolutions.

HR 317 (By Hinojosa), In memory of Arnulfo Rodriguez, Jr.
To Rules & Resolutions.

HR 318 (By Wise), In honor of the 30th anniversary of the Tuition
Equalization Grant program.

To Rules & Resolutions.

SB 3 to Criminal Jurisprudence.

SB 203 to Criminal Jurisprudence.

SB 208 to Public Education.

SB 338 to Public Health.

SB 479 to Public Safety.

SCR 2 to State, Federal & International Relations.

SCR 6 to Transportation.

SCR 20 to Juvenile Justice & Family Issues.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE

The following messages from the senate were today received by the house:

Message No. 1

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

SENATE CHAMBER

Austin, Texas

Wednesday, February 21, 2001

The Honorable Speaker of the House

House Chamber

Austin, Texas

Mr. Speaker:

I am directed by the Senate to inform the House that the Senate has taken the
following action:

THE SENATE HAS PASSED THE FOLLOWING MEASURES:

SB 124 Shapiro

Relating to electronic reporting of political contributions and expenditures for
certain candidates and officeholders.

SB 214 Bernsen

Relating to the statute of limitations for the presentation of certain felony
indictments.

SB 256 Carona

Relating to the recovery by a taxing unit of certain costs on the resale of
property bid off to the unit at a tax foreclosure sale.

SB 269 Ogden

Relating to criminal and civil liability for causing injury to a pregnant woman.

SB 286 Carona

Relating to the authority of a county judge to delegate to another county officer the duty to hear applications for mass gatherings.

SB 288 Armbrister

Relating to the financial transactions of a community supervision and corrections department.

SB 495 Bernsen

Relating to the educational requirements for certain justices of the peace.

Respectfully,

Betty King

Secretary of the Senate

APPENDIX

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

Favorable reports have been filed by committee as follows:

February 16

Human Services - **HB 102, HB 480, HB 481, HB 483**

February 20

County Affairs - **HB 119, HB 197, HB 298, HB 648, HB 741, HB 957, HB 969**

Land & Resource Management - **HB 122**

ENROLLED

February 8 - **HCR 43, HCR 48, HCR 49, HCR 97, HCR 107**

SENT TO THE GOVERNOR

February 8 - **HCR 43, HCR 48, HCR 49, HCR 97, HCR 107**

February 20 - **HCR 93**

SIGNED BY THE GOVERNOR

February 8 - **HCR 30**

February 20 - **HCR 103, HCR 108**